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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
7 AT SEATTLE

8 DONTE BELL,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 NATIONAL CREDIT SYSTEMS, INC.;  
12 ASSURANT, INC. (A/K/A SURE  
DEPOSIT); EQUIFAX INFORMATION  
13 SERVICES, LLC; EXPERIAN  
INFORMATION SOLUTIONS, INC.; AND  
TRANS UNION, LLC.,

14 Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:19-cv-01727 RAJ-BAT

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S  
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO AMEND  
COMPLAINT**

15 Plaintiff Donte Bell moves for leave to amend his complaint (Dkt. 7) to add new counts  
16 against Defendants National Credit Systems, Inc. Dkt. 54 and Exhibit A (redlined version of  
17 proposed First Amended Complaint).

18 Defendants TransUnion LLC and National Credit Systems, Inc. are not opposed to the  
19 proposed amendment. Dkts. 56 and 57. Defendant Experian Information Solutions, Inc. has  
20 entered into a settlement with Plaintiff and therefore, did not file a response. Defendant Equifax  
21 Information Services LLC did not file a response to the motion.

22 At this stage in the proceeding, Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a)(2) provides that "a party may amend  
23 its pleading only with the opposing party's written consent or the court's leave. The court should

1 freely give leave when justice so requires." Plaintiff's motion is timely. The deadline for the  
2 amendment of pleadings for March 23, 2020. Dkt. 52 (Scheduling Order). Additionally,  
3 Defendant National Credit Systems, Inc., against whom the additional counts will be asserted,  
4 does not oppose the filing of the proposed amended complaint.

5 Accordingly, it is **ORDERED**:

- 6 1) Plaintiff's motion to amend (Dkt. 54) is **GRANTED**.
- 7 2) Plaintiff shall file a final version of his proposed First Amended Complaint within  
8 **ten (10) days** of this Order.
- 9 3) The Clerk shall send copies of this Order to all counsel of record.

10 DATED this 13th day of March, 2020.

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13 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA  
14 Chief United States Magistrate Judge  
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